# United States Representative Forrest Dunbar, Democrat

Age: 29

#### Occupation:

Attorney/JAG Officer

# **Length of Residency in Alaska:**

29 Years

#### Alaskan communities lived in:

Eagle, Cordova, Fairbanks, Anchorage

#### **Education:**

Cordova Jr./Sr. High School American University, BA Harvard University, MPP Yale Law School, JD

## **Military Service:**

First Lieutenant, Alaska Army National Guard

# **Service Organizations Membership:**

Returned Peace Corps Volunteer Former Policy Director with Iraqi Refugee Assistance Project Board member of You Choose Project, non-profit focused on substance abuse among Alaskan youth

## **Special Interests:**

Playing basketball, watching football, traveling Alaska

#### Other (Biographical Information Only):

I am a life-long Alaskan, who grew up in Eagle and Cordova. I've worked as a commercial fisherman, a stocker at Fred Meyer, and a wildland firefighter.

I paid my own way through college in DC, where I interned and worked as a paid staffer in the U.S. Congress.

Public service has been central to my life. I have worked at Alaska Legal Services, done policy research at the Alaska Office of Public Advocacy, and recently commissioned as an officer in the Alaska Army National Guard.

#### Statement:

Our state deserves a congressperson who will fight for resource development, veterans, and clean elections.

I've opposed the Paul Ryan budget, which my opponent voted for repeatedly, because it raises taxes on middle class families, cuts funding for veterans' healthcare, slashes funding for the IHS, and turns Medicare into a voucher program.

Our current congress spends too much, does too little, and feels entitled to the offices they hold. I believe we can do better, and have called on all candidates to support meaningful campaign finance reform, including term limits. I've signed the We the People Alaska Pledge to show my support for ending corporate personhood and restoring the original intent of our constitution.

Alaskans want common-sense solutions to the problems we face - not our current partisan gridlock. I've worked with both parties, and know Alaskans want an independent voice.

Our current representative is no longer effective. Don Young's ethics violations have cost him the ability to chair full committees, and have ended his influence in Washington. Representative Young has been unable to overcome opposition to resource development in DC because he has taken an "us against them" approach that he can no longer back up with influence.

We need a representative who will protect our fisheries, open ANWR and the NPR-A, protect subsistence, diversify our economy, lower energy costs, and fight for in-state control of our resources.

Alaska's Congressional seat belongs to the people of Alaska. It is no one's personal property. I'd be honored to have your vote.

